Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority, Inc.

Morristown, Tennessee

Project Title Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority IDA Pilot Project

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AFI Grant Amount \$18,571

Nonfederal Support \$438,781

Project Period February 1, 2006 - January 31, 2011

Highlights The Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority, Inc. is

launching this IDA Pilot Project to assist 10 participants in becoming economically self-sufficient. Participants will earn matching money in their IDAs at the following rates and time periods, depending on their chosen asset goal: \$3.60 to \$1 over 4 years for homeownership, \$3 to \$1 over 3 years for starting or expanding a small business, and \$3 to \$1 over

2 years for post-secondary education.

Target Population Low-income women with children in Cocke County,

Tennessee

Grantee/Collaborative Description The Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority, Inc. established

in 1965 as part of the War on Poverty, has 400 employees who provide self-sufficiency services to more than 16,000 low-income residents. Region's Bank is the financial

institution partner.